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ESP - A Threat to COMSEC?

An Exploratory Study

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SUBJECT: Extrasensory Perception: Communication of the Larger Organic Entity

I. General Thoughts on Relationship

According to Einstein, there is only one absolute: that all things exist in relationship with something else. All things are "other" oriented as a first principal of existence. It is only in the instant of interpenetration of one into the "other" that each comes to be and also becomes more than what it was. The relationship is basically a creative one, because each participant, in stretching toward the other, looses a creative impulse and energy. Between them, then, is a bond proceeding from and partaking of both of the original participants, essentially another "other". In the most elegant relationships, this new "other" becomes an entity on the same level of being and as dependant and independant as the primary participants. In the fully formed relationship, something else is created: a new being at the next highest level of development. Thusly, we can illustrate every fully developing relationship graphically:



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In each relationship, the participants acquire some of the characteristics and capabilities of the other. Further, each new "other" or wholeness that they create is more than and different than the participants. This more and different higher level entity now becomes a participant in a new and higher level of relationship on the scale of complexity. It does this because all known relationships are incomplete. They lack, and it is this lack that impells them or makes them susceptible to relationship at the next highest level. The above is true for all known relationships, from the sub-atomic level to that of the human being.

Neutron $\rightarrow \oplus \ominus = \oplus$ Proton and \ominus Neutron and \oplus and Electron \ominus

Atom $\rightarrow \oplus \ominus \oplus =$ Proton and Neutron and Electron

Compound \rightarrow Atom whose valence is plus and atom whose valence is minus. Here the electrons by their incomplete state form the neutral bridge by which the exchange of characteristics is permitted enabling a new entity, the compound, to be built.

Man \rightarrow Man \ominus Child \ominus Woman. The child is not only a neutral (a \ominus) genetically, but also in many other ways, including psychologically. The family is formed by the above interaction and the resultant entity has a real, organic existence of a type that is poorly understood. We must admit that the tribe and even

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the nation are also real, organic entities of some type. The tribal totem and national flag represent this unitary existence of a higher order.

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II. Thoughts on the Direction of Evolution in Relationship

It was Teilhard de Chardin who most eloquently described the upward urge of all matter toward complexity. He pointed out that this complexity showed a bent toward structures which formed life as we know it. Those atoms which are most needed for life are in plentiful supply, not only oxygen and hydrogen, but also that most precious atom carbon. For without the incredible capability of carbon to chain, and to do so with stability, the complexity of life as we know it would not be possible.

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In experiments where the early atmosphere of the earth was reconstructed as scientists believed it to be, it was demonstrated that the interaction of methane, ammonia, volcanic ash, and lightning invariably caused amino acids to be formed. These crucial building blocks of the all-important protein molecule may have united by sheer chance, but it appears that the dice were heavily loaded in favor of life.

Teilhard de Chardin says more. He claims that life, itself, has preselection for ever higher levels of complexity. And with this preselection is another which is even more insistent, and that toward higher forms of consciousness.

Until recently, little has been done in the area of scientific search that even touches upon this hypothesis. But discoveries, principally in the work of Olive Backster, would seem to support Teilhard's view, as well as that of the organic nature of the living being created by complex relationships between men and other beings.

Backster's work shows that plants are sensitive to threats to of any kind that occur in their immediate area. Their responses are recorded, and these threats cause a change in the electrical current which flows over the outer surface of the plant. Backster found that threats or destruction of any life, even lower forms, cause the plant to respond. More than this, plants became jaded in response to the destruction of lower forms of life, but not destruction of human cells. In addition, he found that plants are perceptible to individual bonds with men. Their being has a resonance for the personal bond. When someone is fond of a plant, a relationship is thereby formed. Man, it seems, is more than feeling in concern for the other, he yields his being. He has access; he sets up an intercommunication which causes an attraction of being and forms a higher level entity, raising the level of the plant itself. Backster has shown that the bond between man and plants transcends space and time. Each time there is contact between the man, at least one that he perceives to be significant, the plant also shows a significant response, even if the man is miles away.

When a man were to enter Mr. Backster's laboratory intending to harm

one of the plants, that plant will measurably respond, even if there is some kind of physical barrier between the man and the plant. This wreaks havoc with our animal-oriented concepts of telepathy because it appears that when we decide to threaten life, there is a physiological change at deep levels, possibly at levels to which all life has access. The question is, are these the levels wherein all life is one?

In one experiment, the plants responded to the death of some shrimp that were placed near them. In an expanded sense, it almost seems as though the plants are the nervous system of an immense planetary organism of life. It is as if the plants are responding so the "cut" in the body of life can be mended.

III. Thoughts on the Exchange of Information and Roles in Relationships

The preference for the higher personal bond with man is echoed by many other creatures. All manner of pets respond to human preference and are changed by it. In responding to human sensitivities and requirements, animals can rise above what they were. Their behavior is different. They have learned something of the mannerisms and the language of man. They acquire, especially the higher forms, even his diseases and confusion.

When a cat or dog is lost hundreds or even thousands of miles away and finds its way home, what has enabled him to do this? Could it be that he is following the direction and the intensity of the relationship bond, just as the salmon would swim upstream to its birthplace? Has the salmon formed a relationship with its birthplace? Does it follow the connecting bonds of the relationship, by their direction and increasing intensity, to its point of origin?

There was a recent report on the results of a scientist's attempt to incorporate a chimpanzee into his family and to teach him sign language. The chimp learned several words. He considered himself human. When he was returned to a chimpanzee group and later asked to describe them, it is reported that his signs indicated that he thought they were insects. Is the chimp more than a chimp now? Perhaps a chimp/man? The relationship concept would indicate that he is, for he is now an organ in that organism called family.

In most instances, the family bond is so strong that the animals included therein will attack their own kind to protect another member of the family, even though he is a different type of being.

Desmond Morris tells us that the human female is the only one in existence that we know is capable of orgasm in the sex act. He further states that the human sex act is the only one in which the activity is so long in duration and so varied in the number of expressions included. Morris describes the act as imprinting. He says that it is basically a form of communication, of sharing the being and its experiences at many levels simultaneously. With the incredible number and concentration of nerve endings in the frontal part of man, the amount of information which can be shared in these exchanges is staggering. Morris tells us that the pair bond, marriage, must be maintained for a long time for the full meaning to be developed. The information exchange is so complex that many imprintings must be made of the shared experience* for it to become a permanent part of the beings involved and add to their growth. But, growth into what?

* NOTE: The more often a common experience is shared, the greater the pleasure experienced.

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Within the atom we would see that the inevitable consequence is a new entity at the atomic level. We fail to see that such an intense and multi-level relationship must produce an organism type entity at the next highest level. This leads us to ask if a true family can exist without a child being created as the \oplus bridge or bond between the marriage partners? This also helps us to see the child as a means of communication between the parents. We might even go further and question whether a true family can exist until the child is encouraged and permitted to take his place as a fully developed member of the relationship?

IV. Relationships and Extrasensory Perception

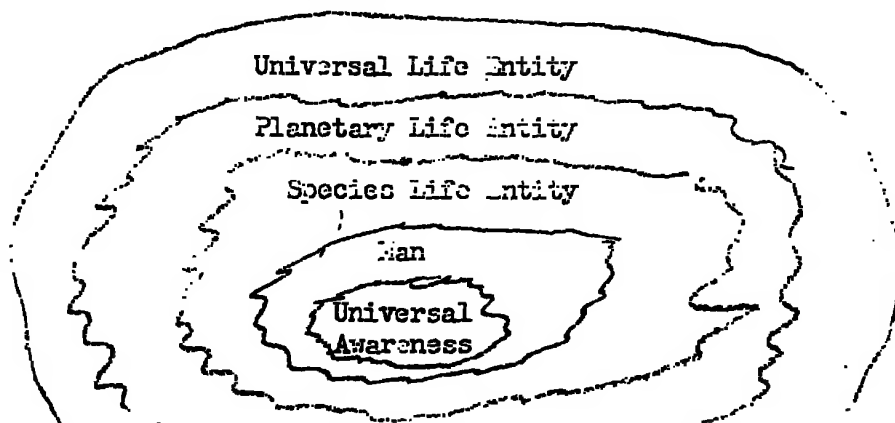
The nature of the bond and the creative entity-producing nature of the relationship must change somewhat our concept of what extra-sensory perception (ESP) is, and how it operates.

The overwhelming majority of spontaneous instances of telepathic ESP occur between members of a family or between close friends. Most of these instances are responses to life threats. As the experiments with plants indicate, life is extraordinarily sensitive to threat. In bonds between men and plants we seem to have found information of the same nature appearing simultaneously at two ends of a relationship, as if the information had been known immediately by a whole organism. The Russian concept of a universal life field which responds totally and immediately in all its extension to certain life related information is not far from the above concept. The Russians have also reported changes in the bioplasm, in which all living things are sustained, prior to the appearance of scientific evidence of disaster. If this is true, many precognitive experiences must be re-evaluated, as it appears that deeper levels of life experience threaten and ~~do~~ damage long before the surface levels are aware of it.

To summarize, then. It appears that what we call extrasensory perception may be the result of a spontaneous awareness on the part of an entire organism-like entity which is the result of any pair bonding process that reaches an unknown level of intensity of participation by the beings involved.

It appears that an understanding of ESP can best be gained by research emphasizing the nature of relationship-forming and the entities produced by such formation.

The above thoughts and speculations indicate that a partial universal model of life might be sketched analogously:



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It was Paracletus who stated that he who loves little, knows little. Now we know something of the organic nature of love, on yielding oneself to the penetration and exchange with the other. By losing the old self we gain a larger self, or selves, more precisely.

We can now understand why Edison made himself believe that he knew nothing about an object or a process that he was studying. He wanted the new entity to enter him, uncontaminated by the barriers of prejudice. He wanted a real relationship, not an analog of prior knowledge pretending to be new.

How did Leonardo da Vinci learn those incredible insights? By seeing them from the inside. He allowed the "other" to enter him, and it taught him directly because it was now an organic part of him and available for inward observation.

In the Montessori system, one sinks into the depths of activity and gains great ability to learn because the being absorbs the activity.

As Arthur Koestler points out in his master work on human creativity, the Act of Creation, great scientists usually obtained their world-shaking insights in periods of rest...of yielding to the "other". Of course this period of discovery is invariably preceded by intensive study, building the bond with the "other", or tuning in on his frequency.

On page 284 of Koestler's book we read, "A living organism or social body is not an aggregation of elementary parts or elementary processes; it is an integrated hierarchy of semi-autonomous sub-wholes, consisting of sub-wholes, and so on. Thus, the functional units on every level of the hierarchy are double faced as it were. They act as wholes when facing downwards, as parts when facing upwards."

"On the upper limit of the organic hierarchy, we find the same double aspect: the individual animal or man is a whole relative to the parts of his body, but a part relative to the social organization to which he belongs."

So we see that ESP is not some stranger living apart from the rest of existence, but a logical participant in the primary relationship which is life-giving and life-building. The same process which yields the spontaneous whole insight of the scientist probably yields the whole knowledge of a threat or damage in ESP. Both are certainly part of a long process of relationship building in information exchange.

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Additional Thoughts and Explorations:

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1. Relationship - In reality each participant participates in many relationships of varying levels of completeness and complexity and does this simultaneously. But with each participant there is a primary relationship and many secondary relationships.
2. Participants - Each participant can have many gradations of \oplus and \ominus characteristics. A participant can be more \oplus in one direction while being more \ominus in another or \oplus in another.
3. Human Beings - People capable of an infinity of relationships with all gradations of being. For example the bridge on \oplus may vary in level from the complexity of language (including mathematics) to a slight emotional bond to a full person (the child) as a bond.
4. Definitions: What a \oplus or \ominus really is can never be fully defined as the relationship changes the nature of participants. This can graphically be seen even at the atomic level where man is constructing new atoms and changing old ones to suit his needs.
5. Full Being Participation in ESP

It appears that various experiments both here and in the Soviet Union support the hypothesis that the whole being intercommunicates during telepathic like exchanges:

- a. The Russians report synchronization patterns of heart rate, and brain wave patterns as well as changes in the bioplasma of participants.
- b. The Soviet astronomer Kozyrev claims that the density of time around the participants changes - that around the transmitter diminishing and that around the percipient intensifying. This is the same pattern of relationship observed between active and passive participants in physical science experiments (i.e. firing a ball toward a wall).
- c. In experiments with the plethysmograph here in the United States, it has been demonstrated that changes in the blood flow through capillaries of the fingers are significant enough to indicate the reception of binary telepathic information considerably above mean expectancy.

What does the design